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SUBJECT: VISIT BY DR. JACEK FISIAC

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1. DURING SHORT CALL ON ACTING DIRECTOR, CU/EE, FISIAC REVIEWED MICKIEWICZ ASSOCIATIONS AND PROJECTED COOPERATION WITH SEVERAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES, INCLUDING RECENT SIGNING OF AGREEMENT WITH LOCKHAVEN (PA.)/STATE COLLEGE. EMBASSY ALREADY AWARE OF LOCKHAVEN/POZNAN PLANS AND OF FISIAC DISCUSSIONS WITH UCLA. WE TOLD HIM UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA (GAINESVILLE) GRANT HAD BEEN APPROVED AND MORRISON WOULD BE RECEIVING CONTRACT FOR SIGNING SHORTLY.

2. FISIAC ALSO MENTIONED TRIENNIAL IAUPE MEETING IN POLAND IN 1977 AND SAID THAT, ALTHOUGH HE REALIZED WE HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO PAY FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TO ENABLE PROFESSOR MORTON BLOOMFIELD (HARVARD) TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S MEETING, HE HOPED SOMETHING MIGHT BE WORKED OUT FOR BLOOMFIELD AND ONE OR TWO OTHER AMERICANS FOR THE 1977

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MEETING. HE ADDED THAT HE REALIZED WE ARE NOT ENTHUSIASTIC

ABOUT PAYING FOR ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES, BUT ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE MADE FOR AMERICAN PARTICIPANTS TO LECTURE IN EASTERN EUROPE. WE CONFIRMED OUR RELUCTANCE TO FUND

CONFERENCE TRAVEL BUT TOLD HIM WE RELIED ON EMBASSY'S VIEWS OF SUCH PROPOSALS AND SUGGESTED HE TALK WITH PAO BRADSHAW AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

3. FINAL INQUIRY BY FISIAC CONCERNED STATUS OF SUNY FREDONIA GRANT. WE ASSUMED HE WAS REFERRING TO CONTRACT SIGNED LAST JULY FOR PERIOD JUN 15, 1975 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1976 AND TOLD HIM AS FAR AS WE KNOW EVERYTHING IS OKAY. AFTER HE LEFT WE REALIZED HE PROBABLY WAS REFERRING TO PROPOSED GRANT AMENDMENT TO ENABLE PRESTON TO VISIT POZNAN TO REVIEW PROGRAM. EMBASSY OR CONSULATE POZNAN MAY WISH TO CLARIFY OUR RESPONSE NEXT TIME YOU SEE FISIAC, I.E., TELL HIM WE INFORMED PRESTON THROUGH BENEDICT THAT WE WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE FUNDING THIS PARTICULAR TRIP. INGERSOLL

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